

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HULL, MA 02045

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2011

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Stephanie Peters, Chair
Marianne Harte, Vice Chair
David Twombly, Secretary
Kristen Evans, Member
Eric Hipp, Member

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Kathleen I. Tyrell, Superintendent of Schools
Maureen Robishaw, Secretary to the Superintendent
Maggie Ollerhead, Policy Coordinator

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Stephanie Peters at 7:00 p.m. at Hull High School Second Floor Exhibition Room, 180 Main Street with the Salute to the Flag.

2.0 Approval of Agenda

Motion: Kristen Evans **Second:** Marianne Harte
Move to approve the October 24, 2011 agenda as presented.
Vote: AYES: 5-0-0

3.0 Input from Public on Agenda Items

None

4.0 Student Representative

Raven Dunstan, High School Student Representative, reported on the following:

- Student council
- NEASC visit
- Mock trial
- Project Humanitarian Involvement
- Fall athletics
- Advanced Placement classes
- PSAT
- Theatre arts
- Class competition

5.0 Hull Teacher Association Representative's Report

None

6.0 Approval of Minutes

Eric Hipp placed a hold on the September 12, 2011 Executive Session minutes. He said the last sentence in the minutes did not correlate with his memory. The minutes were tabled for discussion in Executive Session. He also placed a hold on the October 11, 2011 regular meeting minutes. Mr. Hipp requested to change the second sentence in the minutes from posting of minutes to notice of meeting. He also said he did not think the last sentence on page three (3) accurately reflected the

discussion. He wrote a sentence that he thought would reflect his portion of the discussion. After discussion by the Committee it was decided that David Twombly, Secretary to the School Committee and Maureen Robishaw, Secretary to the Superintendent, will determine how to re-look at the minutes and then bring the minutes back at the next School Committee meeting.

Motion: David Twombly

Second: Kristen Evans

Move to approve the following School Committee minutes as presented:

- Tuesday, October 11, 2011 Community Outreach Forum
- Tuesday, October 18, 2011 School Committee Meeting

Vote: AYES: 5-0-0

7.0 Business Items – Superintendent

7.1 Scholastic Book Fair Presentation

Kelly Romanovicz of Scholastic presented Michele Proude, PTO Co-President, with a \$1,000 award. Last school year, a group of Memorial Middle School students entered the National Middle School Student Crew Contest, earning second place and winning \$1,000 in books and educational resources from Scholastic. The students called “The Crew” organized a carnival-themed Book Fair. School Committee and Superintendent congratulated the students and thanked Michele Proude.

7.2 National Merit Commended Students

Michael Devine, Hull High School Principal, presented a certificate of achievement provided by the College Board to two (2) Hull High School students. Paul Dunphy and Molly Kane have been named Commended Students in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program. Both students placed among the top five (5) percent of more than 1.5 million students who took the 2010 PSAT. School Committee and Superintendent applauded the students for their accomplishments.

7.3 Hull High School AP Scholars

The College Board named fourteen Hull High School students AP Scholars in recognition of the scores they earned on the 2011 Advanced Placement examinations. The following students earned recognition:

Sara Benjamin	Daniel Coffey	Jade Dunstan
Raven Dunstan	Abigail Hulverson	Brittany Jenkins
Marissa Johnson	Molly Kane	Amanda McBride
Jessica Paula	Jamie Lee Simmons	Brandon Sprague
Jamie Stadnik	Heather Sweeney	

Michael Devine, Hull High School Principal, presented a certificate of achievement to the students present at the meeting. Mr. Devine also presented certificates to the parents of students away at college or not able to attend the meeting. School Committee congratulated all the students who earned AP Scholars recognition.

7.4 Advanced Placement and SAT Presentation

Michael Devine, Hull High School Principal, presented the following information on AP and SAT Exam scores:

- Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) overview
- SAT scores 2011
 - Hull High School
 - Massachusetts
 - National

- Hull High School SAT scores (2009-2011)
- SAT scores improvement efforts
- Advanced Placement (AP) exams overview
- Hull High School 2011 AP scores
- Number of Hull High School students taking AP exams (2007-2011)
- Number of AP exams taken at Hull High School (2007-2011)
- Number of Hull High School students earning a three or better (2007-2011)
- Percentage of Hull High School students earning a three or better (2007-2011)
- AP trends

Mr. Devine responded to School Committee questions.

7.5 New England Theatre Conference

Joseph Doniger, Theatre Arts Director, requested permission to bring high school theatre arts students to attend the 60th year of the New England Theatre Conference on November 17 – 19, 2011.

Motion: Marianne Harte

Second: David Twombly

Move to approve attendance at the New England Conference on November 17-19, 2011 in Natick, MA.

Vote: AYES: 5-0-0

7.6 Broadway 2011

In the School Committee packet was information regarding the “Broadway 2012” trip to New York City. This year the “Broadway 2012” trip is scheduled on May 4 – 6, 2012.

Motion: Kristen Evans

Second: Marianne Harte

Move to approve the Hull Public Schools Theatre Arts annual trip to Broadway in New York City from May 4 through May 6, 2012.

Vote: AYES: 5-0-0

7.7 Athletic Update

James Quatromoni, Athletic Director/Community Outreach Coordinator, presented the following update on the fall season of the athletic program:

- Athletic Department Fall Season
 - Teams offered:
 - Varsity football
 - Sub varsity football
 - Varsity boy’s soccer
 - Junior varsity boys’ soccer
 - Varsity girls’ soccer
 - Junior varsity girls’ soccer
 - Varsity field hockey
 - Varsity cheerleading
 - Varsity girls’ cross country (co-op)
 - Varsity boy’s cross country (co-op)
 - Expenses to date
 - Transportation
 - Game officials
 - EMT/trainer

- Police
- Equipment
- Total student participants
- User fee revenue
- Gate receipts
- Waivers granted
- Fall participation comparison FY11 to FY12

Mr. Quatromoni responded to questions from School Committee. Eric Hipp requested an overall budget picture for the athletic program for FY12. Michael Devine, Hull High School Principal, responded that they would compile an anticipated budget and anticipated cost revenue for FY12.

Michael Devine, Hull High School Principal, said that James Quatromoni, Athletic Director, is very well respected on the State level in the MIAA. Mr. Quatromoni was awarded the Ted Damko award by his peers as the outstanding Athletic Director for our statewide district from Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association. School Committee and Superintendent congratulated Mr. Quatromoni on his award and thanked him for his significant contributions to the school district.

7.3 Hull High School AP Scholars

Michael Devine, Hull High School Principal, presented Abigail Hulverson with her Certificate of Achievement.

7.8 Anti-bullying Update

Laura Miceli, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Professional Development, presented the following information:

- Bullying prevention and intervention plan was approved
- Student involvement
 - Anti-bullying messages
 - Anti-bullying poster
 - Anti-bullying slogan contest
 - Art was displayed throughout the schools
- Best Image
 - Sean Healey – “Stop Bullying”
 - Shane Weber – “Don’t Be Cruel”
 - Ashley Antoine – “Cut Bullying Out”
- Best Slogan
 - Margaret Canavan – “Be A Friend”
 - Elizabeth Morgan – “Stand Up Speak Out”
- Students received wrist bands
- Student survey
- Anti-bullying training
- Staff summary feedback information

Judith Kuehn, Director of Pupil Services, presented the following information:

- Bullying is addressed at the special education annual reviews
- Curriculum Resources
 - Second Steps Pre-K – grade 2
 - Steps to Respect – grades 3-5
 - Second Steps grades 6-8.
- Opportunity for parents to sign up for an overview anti-bullying information

- Draft incident reporting form
- Monthly golden bus awards at Jacobs School
- Updating the Bullying Intervention Plan in 2012
- Required bullying training next year
- Bullying investigations across the District

7.9 October 1, 2011 Student Enrollment/School Attending Children Report

Dr. Tyrell presented the following information on School Attending Children:

- During the past eight (8) year period the Town of Hull has seen a decrease in the number of all school-attending children residing within the town.
- The number of all school-aged children who reside in Hull has decreased from 1509 pupils in 2004-2005 to 1212 pupils in 2011-2012 or 297 pupils.
- The percentage of school attending children at the Jacobs School has increased from a low of 83% to 91% during the period 2004-2005 and 2011-2012.
- The percentage of students attending the Memorial School has dropped slightly this year.
- After a drop in 2005-2006 the percentage of students attending Hull High School has been trending upwards, going from a low of 76.2% in 2005-2006 to a high of 85% in 2011-2012.
- The number of students attending vocational technical programs has declined.
- There has been a significant decrease in the number of children and the percentage of children attending the South Shore Charter School. There were 118 students in 2004-2005 and 28 students attending in 2011-2012.
- According to the US Census Bureau, in 2010 there were 81,141 less children (residents under age 18) living in Massachusetts than there were in 2000 US Census; and there were 662 fewer children living in Hull in 2010 than there were in 2000.

Stephanie Peters requested the School Attending Report be placed on the website.

8.0 New Business Items

None

9.0 School Committee Policy Issues

Motion: Marianne Harte

Second: David Twombly

Move to approve the following policies for second reading as presented:

DIB	Types Of Funds/Revolving Funds
DID	Inventories
DIE	Audits
DJ	Purchasing
DJ-R	Purchasing Regulations
DJA	Purchasing Authority
DJB	Purchasing Procedures
DJC	Petty Cash
DJC-R	Petty Cash Accounts
DJE	Bidding Requirements
DJG	Vendor Relations
DJGA	Sales Calls and Demonstrations
DK	Payment Procedures
DKA	Payroll Procedures
DKC	Expense Reimbursements
DM	Cash In School Buildings

DN School Properties Disposal Procedure

Vote: AYES: 5-0-0

10.0 Old Business Items

10.1 Sub-committee Updates

None

10.2 Acceptance of Donations

Motion: David Twombly **Second:** Eric Hipp

Moved to accept the following donations:

\$300 to be used for funding Hull High Athletic Program

Vote: Ayes: 5-0-0

11.0 Approval of Warrants

Motion: David Twombly **Second:** Marianne Harte

Move to approve school warrants 334, 335, 336 and 10S as presented.

Vote: 5-0-0

12.0 Correspondence to and Comments from School Committee Members

Stephanie Peters reported that the School Committee met with the Board of Selectmen on October 18, 2011. Ms. Peters asked Principal Michael Devine about community outreach regarding the NEASC visit. Mr. Devine responded that information is being sent out via emails, ConnectED call, blue notes, signs around town, Hull High School blog, and word of mouth.

13.0 Executive Session

14.0 Adjournment

Motion: David Twombly **Second:** Marianne Harte

Move to go into Executive Session at 8:45 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the September 12, 2011 Executive Session meeting minutes and not to return to Open Session. Discussion could have a detrimental effect if discussed in Open Session.

Roll Call Vote: David Twombly, Marianne Harte, Stephanie Peters, Kristen Evans and Eric Hipp